

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Peter F. Malen, Jr. on 03/12/2009.

The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 8, line 3, the phrase "the bypass data path" is now changed to --the bypass data path.--.

In claim 25, line 2, the phrase "the XFP MSA." is now changed to -- a XFP MSA.--.

In claim 34, line 2, the phrase "the Fibre Channel protocol." is now changed to --a Fibre Channel protocol.--.

In claim 35, line 17, the phrase "the XFP MSA." is now changed to -- a XFP MSA.--.

In claim 36, line 2, the phrase "the Fibre Channel protocol." is now changed to --a Fibre Channel protocol.--.

In claim 41, line 2, the phrase "the XFP MSA." is now changed to -- a XFP MSA.--.

In claim 43, line 2, the phrase "the Fibre Channel protocol." is now changed to --a Fibre Channel protocol.--.

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2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Hanh Phan whose telephone number is (571)272-3035.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jason Chan, can be reached on (571)272-3022. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (571)273-8300.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703)305-4700.

/Hanh Phan/

Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2613